

Chapter 212 I Industrial Districts

(3254-10/94, 3378-2/98, 3523-2/02, 3568-9/02, Emergency Ord. 3703-3/21/05, 3708-6/05, 3724-02/06, 3788-12/07, 3843-11/09, 3860-2/10, 3869-3/10)

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212.02 Industrial Districts Established (3254-10/94)

Two (2) industrial zoning districts are established by this chapter as follows: (3254-10/94)

- A. The IG General Industrial District provides sites for the full range of manufacturing, industrial processing, resource and energy production, general service, and distribution. (3254-10/94)
- B. The IL Limited Industrial District provides sites for moderate- to low-intensity industrial uses, commercial services and light manufacturing. (3254-10/94)

212.04 IG and IL Districts: Land Use Controls (3254-10/94, 3788-12/07)

In the following schedules, letter designations are used as follows: (3254-10/94)

"P" designates use classifications permitted in the I districts. (3254-10/94)

"L" designates use classifications subject to certain limitations prescribed by the "Additional Provisions" which follow. (3254-10/94)

"PC" designates use classifications permitted on approval of a conditional use permit by the Planning Commission. (3254-10/94)

"ZA" designates use classifications permitted on approval of a conditional use permit by the Zoning Administrator. (3254-10/94)

"TU" designates use classifications allowed upon approval of a temporary use permit by the Zoning Administrator. (3254-10/94)

"P/U" for an accessory use means that the use is permitted on the site of a permitted use, but requires a conditional use permit on the site of a conditional use. (3254-10/94)

Use classifications that are not listed are prohibited. Letters in parentheses in the "Additional Provisions" column refer to requirements following the schedule or located elsewhere in this ordinance. Where letters in parentheses are opposite a use classification heading, referenced provisions shall apply to all use classifications under the heading. (3254-10/94)

**IG AND IL
DISTRICTS:
LAND USE
CONTROLS**

P - Permitted
L - Limited (see Additional Provisions)
PC - Conditional use permit approved by Planning Commission
ZA - Conditional use permit approved by Zoning Administrator
TU - Temporary Use Permit
P/U - Requires conditional use permit on site of conditional use
- - Not Permitted

	IG	IL	Additional Provisions
Residential			
Group Residential	PC	PC	(J)
Public and Semipublic			(A)(M)(3708-6/05, 3724-02/06)
Community and Human Service Facilities	P	P	(L)(3708-6/05, 3724-02/06, 3860-2/10)
Day Care, General	ZA	ZA	(3523-2/02)
Heliports	PC	PC	(O)
Maintenance & Service Facilities	ZA	ZA	(3708-6/05)
Public Safety Facilities	P	P	
Religious Assembly	ZA	ZA	(3724-02/06)
Schools, Public or Private	L-6	L-6	
Utilities, Major	PC	PC	
Utilities, Minor	L-7	L-7	(P)
Commercial Uses			(D)(M)
Ambulance Services	ZA	ZA	
Animal Sales and Services			
Animal Boarding	ZA	ZA	(3523-2/02)
Animal Hospitals	ZA	ZA	(3523-2/02)
Artists' Studios	P	P	
Banks and Savings and Loans	L-1	L-1	
Building Materials and Services	P	P	
Catering Services	-	P	
Commercial Filming	ZA	ZA	
Commercial Recreation and Entertainment	L-2	L-2	
Communication Facilities	L-12	L-12	(3568-9/02)
Eating & Drinking Establishments	L-3	L-3	
w/Live Entertainment	ZA	ZA	(S)(U) (3523-2/02)
Food & Beverage Sales	ZA	ZA	(3523-2/02)
Hospitals and Medical Clinics	-	PC	
Laboratories	P	P	
Maintenance & Repair Services	P	P	
Marine Sales and Services	P	P	
Nurseries	P	P	
Offices, Business & Professional	L-1	L-1	(H)

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LAND USE CONTROLS	L - Limited (see <u>Additional Provisions</u>)
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	- Not Permitted

	IG	IL	Additional Provisions
Personal Enrichment	L-9	L-9	(U) (3523-2/02)
Personal Services	L-1	L-1	
Quasi Residential	PC	PC	(K) (3708-6/05)
Research & Development Services	P	P	
Sex Oriented Businesses	L-11	L-11	(3378-2/98)
(regulated by HBMC Chapter 5.70)			(3378-2/98)
Sex Oriented Businesses	PC	PC	(R) (3378-2/98)
(regulated by HBMC Chapter 5.60)			(3843-11/09)
Swap Meets, Indoor/Flea Markets	PC	PC	(Q)
Vehicle/Equipment Sales & Services			
Service Stations	L-4	L-4	
Vehicle/Equipment Repair	P	P	
Vehicle/Equip. Sales/Rentals	L-5	L-5	
Vehicle Storage	P	ZA	(I)
Visitor Accommodations	ZA	ZA	(3708-6/05)
Warehouse and Sales Outlets	L-8	L-8	
Industrial (<i>See Chapter 204</i>)			(B)(M)(N)
Industry, Custom	P	P	
Industry, General	P	P	
Industry, Limited	P	P	
Industry, R & D	P	P	
Wholesaling, Distribution & Storage	P	P	
Accessory Uses			
Accessory Uses and Structures	P/U	P/U	(C)
Temporary Uses			
Commercial Filming, Limited	P	P	(T) (3523-2/02)
Real Estate Sales	P	P	(3523-2/02, 3708-6/05)
Trade Fairs	P	P	(E) (3708-6/05)
Nonconforming Uses			(F)

IG AND IL Districts: Additional Provisions

- L-1 Only allowed upon approval of a conditional use permit by the Zoning Administrator for a mixed use project, subject to the following requirements: (3254-10/94, 3708-6/05)
- Minimum site area: 3 acres (3254-10/94)
- Maximum commercial space: 35 percent of the gross floor area and 50 percent of the ground floor area of buildings fronting on an arterial highway. (3254-10/94)
- Phased development: 25 percent of the initial phase must be designed for industrial occupancy. For projects over 500,000 square feet, the initial phase must include 5 percent of the total amount of industrial space or 50,000 square feet of industrial space, whichever is greater. (3254-10/94)
- L-2 Allowed upon approval of a conditional use permit by the Zoning Administrator when designed and oriented for principal use by employees of the surrounding industrial development or when designed for general public use, after considering vehicular access and parking requirements. (3254-10/94, 3708-6/05)
- L-3 Allowed upon approval of a conditional use permit by the Zoning Administrator when in a free-standing structure or as a secondary use in a building provided that no more than 20 percent of the floor area is occupied by such a use. (3254-10/94, 3523-2/02)
- L-4 Only stations offering services primarily oriented to businesses located in an I District are allowed with a conditional use permit by the Planning Commission. (3254-10/94)
- L-5 No new or used automobile, truck or motorcycle retail sales are permitted. (3254-10/94)
- L-6 Only schools offering higher education curriculums are allowed with conditional use permit approval by the Planning Commission. No day care, elementary or secondary schools are permitted. (3254-10/94)
- L-7 Recycling Operations as an accessory use are permitted; recycling operations as a primary use are allowed upon approval of a conditional use permit by the Zoning Administrator. (3254-10/94, 3708-6/05)
- L-8 Allowed upon conditional use permit approval by the Planning Commission when a single building with a minimum area of 100,000 square feet is proposed on a site fronting an arterial. The primary tenant shall occupy a minimum 95% of the floor area and the remaining 5% may be occupied by secondary tenants. (3254-10/94)
- L-9 Permitted if the space is 5,000 square feet or less; allowed by Neighborhood Notification pursuant to Chapter 241 if the space is over 5,000 square feet. (3254-10/94, 3523-2/02, 3708-6/05)
- L-10 RESERVED (3254-10/94, 3523-2/02, 3724-02/06)

IG AND IL Districts: Additional Provisions (continued)

L-11 Allowed subject to the following requirements: (3378-2/98)

- A. A proposed sex oriented business shall be at least five hundred feet (500') from any residential use, school, park and recreational facility, or any building used for religious assembly (collectively referred to as a "sensitive use") and at least seven hundred fifty feet (750') from another sex oriented business. For purposes of these requirements, all distances shall be measured from the lot line of the proposed sex oriented business to the lot line of the sensitive use or the other sex oriented business. The term "residential use" means any property zoned RL, RM, RMH, RH, RMP, and any properties with equivalent designations under any specific plan. (3378-2/98)

To determine such distances the applicant shall submit for review a straight line drawing depicting the distances from the lot line of the parcel of land on which the sex oriented business is proposed which includes all the proposed parking and:

(3378-2/98)

1. the lot line of any other sex oriented business within seven hundred fifty feet (750') of the lot line of the proposed sex oriented business; and (3378-2/98)
2. the lot line of any building used for religious assembly, school, or park and recreational facility within five hundred (500') feet of the lot line of the proposed sex oriented business; and (3378-2/98)
3. the lot line of any parcel of land zoned RL, RM, RMH, RH, and RMP and any parcels of land with equivalent designations under any specific plans within five hundred feet (500') of the lot line of the proposed sex oriented business. (3378-2/98)

- B. The front facade of the building, including the entrance and signage, shall not be visible from any major, primary or secondary arterial street as designated by the Circulation Element of the General Plan adopted May, 1996, with the exception of Argosy Drive. (3378-2/98)

- C. Prior to or concurrently with applying for a building permit and/or a certificate of occupancy for the building, the applicant shall submit application for Planning Department Staff Review of a sex oriented business zoning permit with the drawing described in subsection A, a technical site plan, floor plans and building elevations, and application fee. Within ten (10) days of submittal, the Director shall determine if the application is complete. If the application is deemed incomplete, the applicant may resubmit a completed application within ten (10) days. Within thirty days of receipt of a completed application, the Director shall determine if the application complies with the applicable development and performance standards of the Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance. Said standards include but are not limited to the following: (3378-2/98)

IG AND IL Districts: Additional Provisions (continued)

1. Chapter 203, Definitions; Chapter 212, Industrial Districts; Chapter 230, Site Standards; Chapter 231, Off-Street Parking & Loading Provisions; Chapter 232, Landscape Improvements; and Chapter 236, Nonconforming Uses and Structures. (3378-2/98)
2. Chapter 233.08(b), Signs. Signage shall conform to the standards of the Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance Code except
 - a. that such signs shall contain no suggestive or graphic language, photographs, silhouettes, drawings, statues, monuments, sign shapes or sign projections, or other graphic representations, whether clothed or unclothed, including without limitation representations that depict "specified anatomical areas" or "specified sexual activities"; and (3378-2/98)
 - b. only the smallest of the signs permitted under Chapter 233.08(b) shall be visible from any major, primary or secondary arterial street, such streets shall be those designated in the Circulation Element of the General Plan adopted May, 1996, with the exception of Argosy Drive.
3. Compliance with Huntington Beach Municipal Code Chapter 5.70. (3378-2/98)
- D. The Director shall grant or deny the application for a sex oriented business zoning permit for a sex oriented business. There shall be no administrative appeal from the granting or denial of a permit application thereby permitting the applicant to obtain prompt judicial review. (3378-2/98)
- E. Ten (10) working days prior to submittal of an application for a sex oriented business zoning permit for Staff Review, the applicant shall: (i) cause notice of the application to be printed in a newspaper of general circulation; and (ii) give mailed notice of the application to property owners within one thousand (1000') feet of the proposed location of the sex oriented business; and the City of Huntington Beach, Department of Community Development by first class mail. (3378-2/98)

The notice of application shall include the following: (3378-2/98)

1. Name of applicant; (3378-2/98)
2. Location of proposed sex oriented business, including street address (if known) and/or lot and tract number; (3378-2/98)
3. Nature of the sex oriented business, including maximum height and square footage of the proposed development; (3378-2/98)
4. The City Hall telephone number for the Department of Community Development to call for viewing plans; (3378-2/98)

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5. The date by which any comments must be received in writing by the Department of Community Development. This date shall be ten (10) working days from staff review submittal; and (3378-2/98)
6. The address of the Department of Community Development. (3378-2/98)
- F. A sex oriented business may not apply for a variance pursuant to Chapter 241 nor a special sign permit pursuant to Chapter 233. (3378-2/98)
- G. A sex oriented business zoning permit shall become null and void one year after its date of approval unless: (3378-2/98)
 1. Construction has commenced or a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued, whichever comes first; or (3378-2/98)
 2. The use is established. (3378-2/98)
- H. The validity of a sex oriented business zoning permit shall not be affected by changes in ownership or proprietorship provided that the new owner or proprietor promptly notifies the Director of the transfer. (3378-2/98)
- I. A sex oriented business zoning permit shall lapse if the exercise of rights granted by it is discontinued for 12 consecutive months. (3378-2/98)
- L-12 For wireless communication facilities see section 230.96 Wireless Communication Facilities. All other communication facilities permitted. (3568-9/02)
 - (A) Repealed. (3254-10/94, 3708-6/05)
 - (B) A conditional use permit from the Zoning Administrator is required for any new use or enlargement of an existing use, or exterior alterations and additions for an existing use located within 150 feet of an R district. The Director may waive this requirement if there is no substantial change in the character of the use which would affect adjacent residential property in an R District. (3254-10/94)
 - (C) Accessory office uses incidental to a primary industrial use are limited to 10 percent of the floor area of the primary industrial use. (3254-10/94)
 - (D) Adjunct office and commercial space, not to exceed 25 percent of the floor area of the primary industrial use, is allowed with a conditional use permit from the Zoning Administrator, provided that it is intended primarily to serve employees of the industrial use, no exterior signs advertise the adjunct use, the adjunct use is physically separated from the primary industrial use, any retail sales are limited to goods manufactured on-site, and the primary industrial fronts on an arterial. (3254-10/94)
 - (E) See Section 241.22: Temporary Use Permits. (3254-10/94)
 - (F) See Chapter 236: Nonconforming Uses and Structures. (3254-10/94)

IG AND IL Districts: Additional Provisions (continued)

- (H) Medical/dental offices, insurance brokerage offices, and real estate brokerage offices, except for on-site leasing offices, are not permitted in any I District. (3254-10/94)
- Administrative, management, regional or headquarters offices for any permitted industrial use, which are not intended to serve the public, require a conditional use permit from the Zoning Administrator to occupy more than 10 percent of the total amount of space on the site of the industrial use. (3254-10/94)
- (I) Automobile dismantling, storage and/or impound yards may be permitted subject to the approval of a conditional use permit by the Planning Commission and the following criteria: (3254-10/94)
- (a) The site shall not be located within 660 feet of an R district. (3254-10/94)
 - (b) All special metal cutting and compacting equipment shall be completely screened from view. (3254-10/94)
 - (c) Storage yards shall be enclosed by a solid 6-inch concrete block or masonry wall not less than 6 feet in height and set back a minimum 10 feet from abutting streets with the entire setback area permanently landscaped and maintained. (3254-10/94)
 - (d) Items stacked in the storage yard shall not exceed the height of the screening walls or be visible from adjacent public streets. (3254-10/94)
- (J) Limited to facilities serving workers employed on-site. (3254-10/94)
- (K) Limited to: Single Room Occupancy uses (See Section 230.46). (3254-10/94, 3708-6/05)
- (L) Limited to Emergency Shelters. (See Section 230.52 Emergency Shelters.) (3254-10/94, 3860-2/10)
- (M) Development of vacant land and/or additions of 10,000 square feet or more in floor area; or additions equal to or greater than 50% of the existing building's floor area; or additions to buildings on sites located within 300 feet of a residential zone or use for a permitted use requires approval of a conditional use permit from the Zoning Administrator. The Planning Director may refer any proposed addition to the Zoning Administrator if the proposed addition has the potential to impact residents or tenants in the vicinity (e.g., increased noise, traffic). (3254-10/94, 3523-2/02)
- (N) Major outdoor operations require conditional use permit approval by the Planning Commission. Major outside operations include storage yards and uses utilizing more than 1/3 of the site for outdoor operation. (3254-10/94)
- (O) See Section 230.40: Helicopter Takeoff and Landing Areas. (3254-10/94)
- (P) See Section 230.44: Recycling Operations. (3254-10/94)
- (Q) See Section 230.50: Indoor Swap Meets/Flea Markets (3254-10/94)
- (R) See L-11(A) relating to locational restrictions. (3254-10/94, 3378-2/98)

IG AND IL Districts: Additional Provisions (continued)

- (S) Non-amplified live entertainment greater than 300 feet from a residential zone or use shall be permitted without a conditional use permit. (3523-2/02)
- (T) Subject to approval by the Police Department, Public Works Department, and Fire Department and the Planning Director. (3523-2/02)
- (U) Neighborhood notification requirements when no entitlement required pursuant to Chapter 241. (3523-2/02, 3708-6/05)

212.06 IG AND IL Districts: Development Standards

The following schedule prescribes development standards for the I Districts. The first two columns prescribe basic requirements for permitted and conditional uses in each district. Letters in parentheses in the "Additional Requirements" column reference requirements following the schedule or located elsewhere in this ordinance. In calculating the maximum gross floor area as defined in Chapter 203, the floor area ratio is calculated on the basis of net site area. Fractional numbers shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number. All required setbacks shall be measured from ultimate right-of-way and in accordance with definitions set forth in Chapter 203, Definitions. (3254-10/94)

	IG	IL	Additional Requirements
Residential Development			(M)
Nonresidential Development			
Minimum Lot Area (sq. ft.)	20,000	20,000	(A)(B) (3708-06/05)
Minimum Lot Width (ft.)	100	100	(A)(B)
Minimum Setbacks			(A)(C)
Front (ft.)	10;20	10;20	(D)
Side (ft.)	0	15	(E)(F) (3708-06/05)
Street Side (ft.)	10	10	
Rear (ft.)	0	0	(E) (3708-06/05)
Maximum Height of Structures (ft.)	40	40	(G)
Maximum Floor Area Ratio (FAR)	0.75	0.75	
Minimum Site Landscaping (%)	8	8	(H)(I)
	IG	IL	Additional Requirements
Fences and Walls	See Section 230.88		
Off-Street Parking and Loading	See Chapter 231		(J)
Outdoor Facilities	See Section 230.74		
Screening of Mechanical Equipment	See Section 230.76		(K)
Refuse Storage Area	See Section 230.78		
Underground Utilities	See Chapter 17.64		
Performance Standards	See Section 230.82		(L)
Nonconforming Uses and Structures	See Chapter 236		
Signs	See Chapter 233		

IG AND IL Districts: Additional Development Standards

- (A) See Section 230.62: Building Site Required and Section 230.64: Development on Substandard Lots. (3254-10/94)
- (B) Smaller lot dimensions for new parcels may be permitted by the Zoning Administrator with an approved development plan and tentative subdivision map. (3254-10/94)
- (C) See Section 230.68: Building Projections into Yards and Required Open Space. Double-frontage lots shall provide front yards on each frontage. (3254-10/94)
- (D) The minimum front setback shall 10 feet and the average setback 20 feet, except for parcels fronting on local streets where only a 10 foot setback is required. (3254-10/94)

All I Districts: An additional setback is required for buildings exceeding 25 feet in height (1 foot for each foot of height) and for buildings exceeding 150 feet in length (1 foot for each 10 feet of building length) up to a maximum setback of 30 feet. (3254-10/94)

- (E) In all I districts, a 15-foot setback is required abutting an R district and no openings in buildings within 45 feet of an R district. (3254-10/94)
- (F) A zero-side yard setback may be permitted in the I districts, but not abutting an R district, provided that a solid wall at the property line is constructed of maintenance-free masonry material and the opposite side yard is a minimum of 30 feet. (3254-10/94)

Exception. The Zoning Administrator or Planning Commission may approve a conditional use permit to allow a 15-foot interior side yards opposite a zero-side yard on one lot, if an abutting side yard at least 15 feet wide is provided and access easements are recorded ensuring a minimum 30-foot separation between buildings. This 30-foot accessway must be maintained free of obstructions and open to the sky, and no opening for truck loading or unloading shall be permitted in the building face fronting on the accessway unless a 45-foot long striped areas is provided solely for loading and unloading entirely within the building. (3254-10/94)

- (G) See Section 230.70: Measurement of Height. Within 45 feet of an R district, no building or structure shall exceed a height of 18 feet. (3254-10/94)
- (H) Planting Areas. Required front and street-side yards adjacent to a public right-of-way shall be planting areas except for necessary drives and walks. A 6-foot wide planting area shall be provided adjacent to an R district and contain one tree for each 25 lineal feet of planting area. (3254-10/94)
- (I) See Chapter 232: Landscape Improvements. (3254-10/94)
- (J) Truck or rail loading, dock facilities, and the doors for such facilities shall not be visible from or be located within 45 feet of an R district. (3254-10/94)
- (K) See Section 230.80: Antennae. (3254-10/94)
- (L) Noise. No new use shall be permitted, or exterior alterations and/or additions to an existing use allowed, within 150 feet of an R district until a report prepared by a California state-licensed acoustical engineer is approved by the Director. This report shall include recommended noise

mitigation measures for the industrial use to ensure that noise levels will conform with Chapter 8.40 of the Municipal Code. The Director may waive this requirement for change of use or addition or exterior alteration to an existing use if it can be established that there had been no previous noise offense, that no outside activities will take place, or if adequate noise mitigation measures for the development are provided. (3254-10/94)

- (M) Group residential or accessory residential uses shall be subject to standards for minimum setbacks and height of the RH District. (3254-10/94)

212.08 Review of Plans

All applications for new construction and exterior alterations and additions shall be submitted to the Planning Department for review. Discretionary review shall be required as follows: (3254-10/94,3708-6/05)

- A. Zoning Administrator Review. Projects requiring a conditional use permit from the Zoning Administrator; projects including a zero-side yard exception; projects on substandard lots. (3254-10/94)
- B. Design Review Board. See Chapter 244. (3254-10/94, 3869-3/10)
- C. Planning Commission. Projects requiring a conditional use permit from the Commission. (3254-10/94)
- D. Projects in the Coastal Zone. A Coastal Development Permit is required unless the project is exempt; see Chapter 245. (3254-10/94)